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NOTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India through UNDP and GEF supported SECURE Himalaya project has engaged the services of the Global Tiger Forum (GTF) to develop a "**Master Plan for Big Cat Conservation**" in Sikkim. The big cat (Snow Leopard, Tiger) master planning would be at a landscape level, with the scale encompassing Khangchendzonga-Upper Teesta, Shingba-Yumesamdong areas apart from parcels of snow leopard and tiger areas.

NOW THEREFORE, the State Government is hereby pleased to constitute the "**State Level Coordination Committee**" and "**Landscape Level Committee**" for monitoring implementation of the Big Cat Master Plan, consisting the following members, namely:-

State Level Coordination Committee;

1.	Additional Chief Secretary-cum-PCCF	Chairperson
2.	Chief Wildlife Warden	Member Secretary
3.	Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial)	Member
4.	Director, KNP/KBR	Member
5.	Principal Director or representative, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services Department, Govt. of Sikkim	Member
6.	Director of representative, Wildlife Preservation, MoEF & CC, Govt. of India, New Delhi	Member
7.	Director or representative, Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun	Member
8.	Representative from National Tiger Conservation Authority, Gol, New Delhi.	Member
9.	Deputy Inspector General or representative, Indo Tibetan Border Police	Member

10.	Superintendent of Customs or representative, Gangtok	Member
11.	Representative from Global Tiger Forum, New Delhi	Member
12.	Conservation of Forests (Wildlife)	Convener
Landscape Level Committee:		
1.	Chief Wildlife Warden	Chairperson
2.	Conservator of Forests (Wildlife)	Member
3.	Conservator of Forests (Territorial)	Member
4.	Director (KNP/KBR)	Member Secretary
5.	Divisional Forest Officer (Territorial) East/ North	Member
6.	Divisional Forest Officer (Wildlife) East/ North & KNP	Member
7.	Joint Director, East/ North Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services Department, Govt. of Sikkim	Member

Terms of reference:

1. Provide strategic direction for preparation of master plan and implementation of master plan through facilitating convergence among relevant departments and other projects being implemented in this landscape.
2. Ensuring effective coordination amongst line departments/agencies involved in the landscape of the master plan.
3. Monitoring progress of preparation and implementation of master plan interventions, vis-à-vis the approved annual plan of operation, while recommending appropriate course of action, if necessary.
4. Provide guidance and ensure consistency, synergy and convergence of approaches with the other on-going development projects and processes in the State.
5. Facilitate block, district and sector agency participation in the master planning operations at State level to ensure convergence of manpower and financial resources.
6. Oversee and support the commitment, funding and other support to the Master/ landscape level management plan Resolving reported implementation issues while recommending mitigation, and/or appropriate authorities, as required.
7. Monitoring utilization of funds by various implementing agencies, vis-à-vis the APO of the master plan, including finance related submissions of reimbursement against expenditure.
8. Ensuring support of stakeholder departments/agencies and local people.
9. Monitoring functioning of service providers/consultants, if any.
10. Dissemination of information and publicity for eliciting public support.
11. Any other tasks, as deemed fit by the committee.
12. The state level coordination committee & landscape level coordination committee would meet biennially, while updating the State Government on the progress of master plan implementation.

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